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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 13, 2010

The Social Work Licensing Board met Monday, December 13, 2010, in Room 100 of the Attorney General's Offices at 323 Center Street, Little Rock, Arkansas. Vice-Chairperson Dr. Steven Domon called the meeting to order.

Board Members Present: Sandra Brown Kaylynn Barrett Betty Rhodes
Tealisa Allen Mae Isom Nancy Streit
Kelley Williams

Board Members Absent: Steven Domon Laura Printz

Approval of Minutes:

Betty Rhodes made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2010 board meeting. Kaylynn Barrett seconded the motion, which carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Update on Complaint No. 2010-18:

The Executive Director reported that Charles Gibbs completed the Consent Order issued by the Board. The Board accepted the Agreed Order of Revocation. This complaint is now closed.

Update on Complaint No. 2010-21:

The Executive Director reported that this complaint is ongoing.

Update on Complaint No. 2011-05:

The Executive Director reported that this complaint is ongoing.

NEW BUSINESS:

Board Met With Lillian Wichinsky, LMSW:

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The Board met with Lillian Wichinsky, LMSW, and reviewed information that was discussed at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock's MSW Faculty Meeting in November. The Board will take into consideration the topics discussed.

Board Reviewed Possible Changes to the Laws and Regulations:

The Board is in the process of reviewing the current Laws and Regulations. Kaylynn Barrett reported that this process is ongoing.

Review Request From Rose Thompson:

Rose Thompson had written the Board requesting a waiver of the 90-day period to take the exam based on extenuating circumstances. Kaylynn Barrett made a motion to approve her request since she met all the qualifications as specified by ASWB. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Letter Regarding Denial of Reverse Mortgages as Social Work Continuing Education:

A letter Farah Price had written the Board regarding the Board's decision to deny Reverse Mortgages was read. The Board still agrees that while the course might be helpful when counseling clients but felt that the course itself did not meet the definition of Social Work Continuing Education.

Review Request by NASW to Present at the Spring Conference:

The Arkansas Chapter of NASW ask that the Board's Executive Director and/or Board members make a presentation at the 2011 Annual Conference. Nancy Streit, LCSW and the Board's Executive Director, Ruthie Bain will attend. Others who are able may also attend.

Review Request to Accept Late Supervision Plan:

Letters were received from Deborah Rogers, LCSW and Michael Collie, LCSW requesting that the Board accept the Supervision Plan for Erin Hogue that was submitted past the 60-day period. Nancy Streit made a motion to accept the beginning date on the Supervision Plan based on the circumstances presented. Tealisa Allen seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Question From Terry Bridges:

Terry Bridges had written the Board regarding Spiritual Base Practice and the need for a license. Based on the information presented, Tealisa Allen made a motion to notify Ms. Bridges that she would need to be licensed as a social worker and be an employee of an agency to provide the services, whether spiritual based or not. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Waiver Request # 71:

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The Board reviewed a social worker's request for a waiver (#71) of the requirements of A.C.A. (17-103-307(f), the law that requires criminal history checks for social workers. Tealisa Allen made a motion to grant the social worker's request since she met the requirements for a waiver according to A.C.A. 17-103-307(h). Mae Isom seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Request From Leigh Hudson:

Leigh Hudson has written the Board requesting that her expiration date for her license be changed from September 30, 2011 to August 31, 2011, Ms. Hudson attends an out-of-state conference every two years that takes place at the end of September. She has not been able to count these hours since she must submit her renewal application prior to the September Board meeting. Kelley Williams made a motion to grant an exception and change the date. Nancy Streit seconded the motion, which carried.

Review Continuing Education Audit for Demetra Roberts:

The Executive Director reported that Demetra Roberts has not complied with the audit notice letter mailed on October 7, 2010. Attempts to contact Ms. Roberts have failed or been returned. Additional contact will attempt to be made and a tentative hearing date of February 14, 2011 was set.

Update on New Complaints:

The Executive Director reported that one new complaint has been received.

Review of Standing Financial Reports:

Tealisa Allen, LMSW, reviewed and approved the Warrant Detail Report, ASWB Exam Candidate Log, Leave Report, Refund Report and Trial Balance Reports. Kaylynn Barrett made a motion to accept the reports as presented. Kelley Williams seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Applications:

Betty Rhodes made a motion to approve the action taken on the applications for licensure.

LSW Applications:

Provisionally Licensed and Approved to Take the Exam:

Lauren Elizabeth Craig

Melissa Louden

Audie Frances Weatherford

Approved to take the Exam:

Michallee Demarce Hall

Jonda L. Pieper

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Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

None

Denied Applications:

None

LMSW Applications:

Provisionally Licensed and Approved to take Examination:

Kiki Dequincy Adderly
Fanta L. Gibson

Tracie Rachelle Davis-Brown
Shayla Marie Kelley

Lisa Dunham
Valerie Lynne Shaw

Approved to take the Exam:

Cherokee Tennille Bradley
Gregory Antonio Young, Sr.

Windie Faye Griggs

Myka Chantal Perry

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

Ashley Nicole Derrick

Robin Jan Moore

Heidi N. Stroud

Denied or Pending Applications:

None

LCSW Applications:

Approved to take Examination:

Kimberly L. Baggett
Glenda Evans
Vertie Michelle Leyva
Julie A. Trotter

Theresa I. Brennan
Timothy Lee Freeman
Stephany Robinson
Jameshia Ann Wallace

Mysti H. Burton
Jennifer Michelle Johnson
Joyce Rose Shepherd
Beverly Lajuan Wilson

Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

Tiffany Smith-Hurt

Tealisa Allen seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Renewal Applications:

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The Board reviewed 151 applications for license renewal. Kaylynn Barrett made a motion to approve 149 of the applications. Two (2) of the applications are pending clarification. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Continuing Education Audits:

The Board reviewed nine (9) continuing education audits. Kaylynn Barrett made a motion to approve all nine (9) of the audits. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Supervision Plan Audits:

The Board reviewed eleven (11) Supervision Plan audits. Kaylynn Barrett made a motion to approve nine (9) of the audits. Two are pending additional information or corrections. Tealisa Allen seconded the motion, which carried.

Action Taken on Certificates of Registration:

The Board reviewed five (5) Certificate of Registration Renewals. Kaylynn Barrett made a motion to approve all five (5) of the Renewals. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

Other Business:

Kaylynn Barrett submitted her resignation from the Board due to the fact that she is now licensed at the LCSW level and will not qualify for the LMSW position on the board.

There being no other business, Tealisa Allen made a motion to adjourn. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.